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Dear Sir:

In response to the nonfinal Examiner's Action mailed January 2, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response that expires April 2, 2003, the above-identified patent application is amended a second time as follows:

AMENDMENT C

(37 C.F.R. § 1.111)

REMARKS

Applicant has carefully studied the nonfinal Examiner's Action mailed January 2, 2003 and all references cited therein. These explanatory remarks are believed to be fully responsive to the Action. Accordingly, this important patent application is now believed to be in condition for allowance.

Applicant responds to the outstanding Action by centered headings that correspond to the centered headings employed by the Office, to ensure full response on the merits to each finding of the Office.